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FOR EMBASSY'S INFORMATION ONLY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PGOV, TU, GR

SUBJECT: MILITARIZATION OF GREEK ISLANDS

REF: ANKARA 6089

1. AS YOU WILL APPRECIATE, DEPARTMENT HAS DELIBERATELY
REFRAINED FROM TAKING POSITIONS ON SPECIFIC ISSUES BETWEEN
GREECE AND TURKEY IN THE AEGEAN. STUDY MENTIONED IN REFTEL
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WAS DRAFTED BY POLICY PLANNING STAFF IN 1976 AND SHOULD NOT
BE CONSTRUED AS A STATEMENT OF US POLICY.

2. WITH RESPECT TO YOUR SPECIFIC QUESTION AND FOR THE
EMBASSY'S INFORMATION ONLY THE 1936 MONTREUX CONVENTION
SUPERSEDED ONLY THE 1923 LAUSANNE STRAITS CONVENTION, WHICH
PROVIDED FOR THE DEMILITARIZATION OF THE TURKISH STRAITS

AND THE NORTHERNMOST ISLANDS (LEMNAS AND SAMOTHRACE--GREEK; IMBROS, TENEDOS AND THE RABBIT ISLANDS--TURKISH). STILL IN FORCE IS THE 1923 LAUSANNE PEACE TREATY, A SEPARATE DOCUMENT WHICH DEMILITARIZED THE SO-CALLED "MIDDLE ISLAND" GROUP INCLUDING LESBOS, KHIOS, SAMOS, AND IKARIA. CHRISTOPHER

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